[9th August 1929

Honorary surgeons and physicians appointed to district headquarter hospitals.

* 164 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to lay on the table of the House a list showing the names and number of honorary surgeons and physicians appointed to each of the district headquarter hospitals in accordance with the Government Order dated 31st May ?

A.—A statement will be laid on the table as soon as the appointments have been made.

Registration

Travelling allowance drawn by the Inspector-General of Registration.

* 165 *Q.*—Mr. P. Anjaneyulu : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the travelling allowance drawn every month by the Inspector-General of Registration since he assumed office up to date ;

(*b*) whether the Inspector-General of Registration was prohibited from passing his own travelling allowance bills ;

(*c*) if so, from what date this order was passed ;

(*d*) the reasons why the present Inspector-General of Registration was prohibited from passing his own travelling allowance bills ;

(*e*) whether the Accountant-General made any reference on this matter to the Government ; and

(*f*) whether the Government will be pleased to place the references on the Council table ?

A.—(*a*) The Government have called for the information.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) 26th December 1928.

(*d*) The Government observed that the Inspector-General did not regulate his tours in the best interests of the department and that his tours were not arranged in the most economical manner possible. The Government therefore decided that the travelling allowance bills should be examined and countersigned by them.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) No.

Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" May I ask, Sir, whether the Inspector-General of Registration was censured or reprimanded for not arranging his tours in the best and most economical manner possible ? "

The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar :—" The only information that can be given has been given in clause (*d*)."

Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" Was any action taken by the Government beyond disapproving the action of the Inspector-General ? "

The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar :—" The action that has been taken was taken as a result of their disapproval."